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## REPEAL CITIZEN'S ARREST LAW (SMOKE SCREEN FOR AMERICAN VIGILANTISM)



As the climate of hatred for Black people increases across America, racial attacks, corrupt laws and voter suppression efforts demands an aggressive push-back to dismantle the legal tools of racism. Repealing the Citizen's Arrest Law is to proactively remove such laws before another Black person like Ahmaud Arbery is murdered. Read article on page 3.

## Vote and Elect Carla "Coffee" Wright As The First Black US Senator From Missouri "We All Matter"



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# Silver Bullets Only Work on Werewolves!

Something that acts as a magical weapon; especially one that instantly solves a longstanding problem.

By Dr. Barbara Anderson

The Covid-19 Pandemic has produced challenges in so many aspects of our daily lives - education included. Now we need the very best and the brightest educators to work with our learners because of the many problems caused by the pandemic. Our learners have been forced into unexpected absences and delays in instruction. This is not a time when we can afford to place less than qualified teachers to work with our learners. As an example of expertise needed, just consider the idea of learning modalities.

Any well-trained educator knows that there are no silver bullets when it comes to instruction... you cannot teach all learners the same thing, the same way, at the same time. It just doesn't work. This is what happens when decisions are made that are not educationally sound - such as dependence on virtual learning.

Educators acknowledge the fact there are such things as learning modalities. Some learners learn by using visualization. They are considered visual learners. Some learners learn by using listening skills. They are considered auditory learners. Some learners learn by touching and feeling and doing. They are considered kinesthetic learners. This process is also considered hands-on learning. These learners get involved. Experienced teachers know that all lessons have to be prepared in such a way that all learning modalities are addressed. No matter how the learner learns, the lesson will be understood. Actually, learning modalities seldom occur independently. All learners use a mixture of modalities.

That is the problem with a lot of the virtual suggestions that are being given out these days by modern folks who are not really educators. There's just no way that you can tell learners to go to a certain website regularly, and expect them to learn something daily. Websites are great tools in the hands of true educators. But, we cannot depend on virtual learning websites for learning to take place. Teachers are needed for that to happen.

The other thing that is bothersome about placing non-educators in educational settings, is that you are actually demeaning practitioners who have trained to be instructors. Another process that is degrading to trained instructors is that you can now go on-line for two hours a day for ten days and qualify to be a substitute teacher. Well, might as well invite the substitute to take over a class. And in some instances, that is exactly what is occurring. There are people being placed in classrooms who are really and truly not qualified to teach. Having a degree does not mean that you can impart information to learners. It just doesn't work that way. A person may have seventeen degrees and a 4.5 (A+) grade point average, but if that person can't impart knowledge to the actual learner, it's a waste of time... That person is just very smart.

We cannot place just anyone into a classroom in front of learners. That's called babysitting, not teaching. Just because you have a degree, does not mean that you can teach. Everyone Can. Not. Teach.

Teaching requires experience. A school district cannot have that many first and second year teachers running classrooms. First and second year teachers need to be under the tutelage of master teachers. Master teachers can pass lessons on that they have gained through years of experience; thereby, growing the younger less experienced teachers; who, in turn, will become master teachers, and can then pass their craft on to those who come after them. This must happen.

The practice of placing less than highly qualified teachers in the classroom and telling them where to go on a website is an absolutely non-educational decision. Teachers build their craft with training, years of experience, and practice. Just because you are in a classroom does not mean that you are a teacher.

We must begin to respect the expertise of persons who have been trained to teach, and are doing so. Teachers get little support and resources. They often have to buy their own supplies. Teachers are expected to just drop into a classroom and turn everyone into a successful intellectual. It doesn't work that way.

Years ago, there was a horrible practice employed, (at least in the district that I am familiar with), that when one first graduates from college, when one first gets their degree; the tendency is to place those new teachers in the most challenging learning situations and environments. New teachers are placed in the most trying classrooms with learners experiencing more difficulties than other learners. These are learners assigned to the youngest and most inexperienced teachers. There is no better way to chase away talent.

Instead of punishing those who work hardest to get the job done to educate our learners, we need to support them, we need to nurture them, we need to grow them.

We are losing so much talent by encouraging good teachers to leave the field. And paying them is not a bad idea. Many educators leave the field of education because they don't pay very well. It is absolutely ridiculous that we put our most precious resource, our learners, in the hands of people that we support and pay the least. It's absolutely crazy to expect people to work so hard for pennies on the dollar.

For instance, there's a group of people called In-School Suspension (ISS) Monitors. ISS rooms are used for those learners who engage in inappropriate, disruptive, troubled behavior. But the people we put in charge of those rooms are basically paid babysitters. ISS monitors complain, and rightly so, when teachers send the children who are engaging in inappropriate behaviors to them. Well very quickly, children figure out - - "Okay, I'm sick of this lesson. I don't want to be here. All I have to do is engage in inappropriate behavior." That's not what children say of course... they say "You ain't gonna' do nothing." Learners

then engage in those inappropriate behaviors, intending to be assigned to the In-School Suspension room, for a little vacation.

When their time is up, they go back to the classroom. Unfortunately, they often come up with the same idea; "I don't want to be here... you can't suspend me, you cannot send me home, so I'll just go to the ISS room and chill for a while."

In-School Suspension rooms should be used to continue the educational process. Babysitters are not needed in those rooms. Full-blown teachers, who are well acquainted with individualized education, and know how to engage learners to continue the educational process, should be employed as ISS monitors.

Special needs teachers already know the importance of continuing the educational process, and have the skill to do so for individual learners. They're very practiced at it. We cannot afford to have paid babysitters. Paying someone eight dollars an hour to supervise learners engaging in the most inappropriate behaviors in the school is redundant. The learners are assigned to ISS rooms where the educational process can continue. Therefore, ISS monitors should be fully certified teachers.

Instruction is an art. It's a craft. It's a calling. And not just anyone can do it. The old saying was, "Those who can - - DO. Those who can't - - TEACH." Well, that's actually just upside down. Anyone who can do, has been taught to do so. There is no one shot answer to instruction. There are no silver bullets in education. Silver bullets only work on werewolves. And since werewolves don't exist, silver bullets do not work. Again, there are no one shot answers to instruction/education. Oh my! These ideas may cost money, but we have to decide whether we are going to pay now or pay later. This is an investment in our future that must be made.

Barbara Anderson Ed.D.

## The Trifecta in the Jeff-Vander-Lou (JVL) Neighborhood - Three educational institutions within walking distance.

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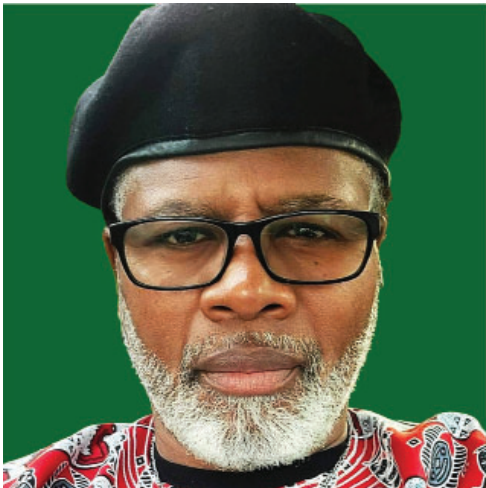


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REPEAL CITIZEN’S ARREST (A SMOKE SCREEN FOR AMERICAN VIGILANTISM)



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The Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) is calling on Black and activist communities across the state and throughout the country, to join in the effort to repeal America’s Citizen’s Arrest Laws. In this dangerous climate of hyper racism and right wing fascism, we as a people cannot afford to leave in the hands of our political adversaries, old antebellum laws that were originally crafted to suppress, maim and murder with impunity, people of African descent.

Thus the time has come that we follow the footsteps of Georgia, and place these Citizen’s Arrest Laws in the political crosshairs of repeal. The state of Georgia saw fit to do it, why not Missouri? Sitting on the banks of the Mississippi river, in the red-neck state of Missouri, we are no more protected from the ultimate fate of Ahmaud Arbery; than any other Black person that’s jogging down a quiet suburban road of an all-white neighborhood.

Let’s face it brothers and sisters, in Donald Trump’s America, there’s a political agenda that’s targeted to suppress the voting rights of Black people just in time for the mid-term elections. More than 400 voter suppression bills were proposed in 47 states during the 2021 legislative session. That’s unprecedented. Using race-baiting and right-wing talking points, they have essentially activated the evil switch in the hearts and minds of white America. Thus we have Kyle Rittenhouse who fatally shot two men and wounded another in Kenosha Wisconsin at a Black Lives Matter protest rally to support Jacob Blake (a Black man) who was shot seven times in the back by a white police officer. This fascist right-wing

rhetoric serves to emboldened people like Travis McMichael, his father Gregory McMichael and William “Roddie” Bryan who were convicted and sentenced to life, for pursuing, detaining and ultimately murdering Ahmaud Arbery. The historically useful Citizen’s Arrest Law was the smoke-screen they adopted as a legal defense strategy.

Georgia’s Republican Governor Brian Kemp, under pressure from protesters incensed over the murder of Ahmaud Arbery, signed a bill; repealing much of Georgia’s Citizen’s Arrest law. Likewise, here in the state of Missouri and being inspired by this achievement, the UAPO’s Central Committee organized a plan of action; beginning with a political forum to discuss the repeal of Missouri’s Citizen’s Arrest Law. Under the Georgia bill, a private person can no longer make an arrest. Under the Georgia bill, deadly force cannot be used unless for self-protection, for protecting a home or for preventing a forcible felony. Under the Georgia bill, exceptions are made only for business owners, licensed detectives and security guards. The signing of this bill essentially removed the rights of regular citizens to commit self-imposed vigilante justice over the life, safety and well-being of others.

On December 20, 2021 we held a community forum in memory of Ahmaud Arbery to discuss the Repeal of Missouri’s Citizen’s Arrest Law. Moderated by U.S. Senatorial candidate Carla “Coffee” Wright, the event was held at Legacy Café in St. Louis, Missouri. The guest panelists included Missouri’s 4th District State Senator KARLA MAY, Missouri’s 5th District State Senator STEVE ROBERTS JR., the President of the Ethics Project, DR. CHRISTI GRIFFIN and Missouri’s District 84 State Representative WILEY PRICE IV.

This well attended forum quickly elevated to become essentially a town hall meeting covering an array of related issues where the community and panelists engaged in questions and answers to the political edification of everyone present. Senator Steve Roberts stated that in 2022 he will be filing legislation changing the language pertaining to Citizen’s Arrest Law. Senator Karla May stated that she wanted to make sure that no one can pull-up with a gun claiming that they’re making a citizen’s arrest and that the legislators on the panel will be working together on a bill. Dr. Christi Griffin addressed vigilantism, Common

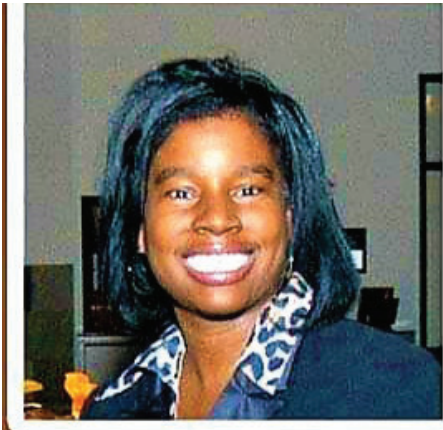
law, Self-defense, the Castle Law and Conceal Carry as they pertained to state law. State Representative Wiley Price IV also committed himself to helping with the much needed legislation.

Before Georgia, there were Citizen’s Arrest Laws covering all 50 states (now 49) across this country. To quote our beloved African ancestors, **“If you want to know the nature of a thing; study its origin.”** With that said, Citizen’s Arrest Laws are the handmade work of white supremacy dating as far back as the American Revolution. Abused to an even greater extent during the Civil War, these laws empowered and authorized ordinary untrained white citizens to patrol the nefarious institution of slavery while other white males went off to war.

Essentially a smoke-screen for white vigilantism, Citizen’s Arrest rights were typically used to intimidate Black voters, to justify KKK lynching or to justify white mob violence i.e., the 1898 Wilmington Massacre, the 1917 East St. Louis Massacre the 1919 Elaine Massacre or the 1921 Tulsa Massacre and more. Beyond those well-known atrocities, Citizen’s Arrest was also used to entrap free black men; forcing them into labor camps. Neo-slavery; a term coined by author, Douglas A. Blackman in his Pulitzer Prize-winning book SLAVERY BY ANOTHER NAME, argues that this practice lasted for 80 years after the Emancipation Proclamation. He outlines how legal loopholes were used by ordinary white citizens to falsely accuse and imprison Black men. This undermining of Black freedom essentially uses Citizen’s Arrest Laws as a weapon of subjugation.

Perhaps today is no different as evidenced by the unjustified murder of Trayvon Martin and Ahmaud Arbery. Both were pursued, stalked and killed under the guise of making a Citizen’s Arrest. The Ku Klux Klan of today, attempting to escape the condemnation of its brand, has essentially morphed into the reemergence of white militia groups (aka vigilantes with fire arms). These groups as well as the larger white community have been shifting dangerously to the right. Recent polls show that half of Americans believe that another Civil war is likely. In this fascist climate of MAGA dog whistles, it behooves us to be proactive and begin to arm ourselves for self-defense but equally as important; we must work to dismantle any law that has been weaponized against us and throw it into the waste can of history.

Panelists for Repeal Forum,



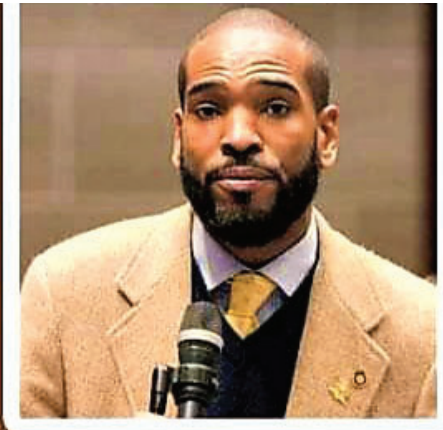
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# PROPORTIONATE POLITICAL REPRESENTATION

## The Most Progressive Political Thought of the 21st Century

Proportionate Political Representation” simply means that whatever percentage Black people are on the National, State or Local levels of government within the United States, then we should have that percentage of political power/representation, especially in light of the fact that the majority of our people are taxpayers. It is estimated that Black people are 13-14% of the US population, however of the 511,000 publicly elected officials in this country, we represent only 4-5%. In the arena of national representation in the US Senate, there are 100 Senators and only three are Black, when we should have at least 13-14 members. This particular political institution makes critical domestic and foreign decisions involving trillions of dollars impacting our people worldwide. In regards to State Governors, there are fifty and not one is Black, when we should have at least 6-7.

As an example of us not being fully politically represented in local governments is the case of Ferguson, MO. At the time of Michael Brown’s murder in 2014, Ferguson’s Black population was 68% Black. However, in addition to the racist white mayor, Ferguson’s city council comprised six members and only one was Black. As a direct extension of that abnormal political reality which is similar to the above national and state realities, the police force of this municipality was 53 officers with only three being Black. In essence, our people through taxation were funding a racist police force which is happening in many other majority Black communities across America.

Accordingly, “Proportionate Political Representation” addresses two fundamental issues. One being the quantitative lack of Black political representation. The other being qualitative representation, meaning we need more progressives such as New York City Councilman Charles Barron and St. Louis Circuit Attorney Kim Gardner being elected in proportion to our numbers on the national, state and local levels of government. Also, we must always keep in mind that our lack of political power affects our economic power and social justice policy decisions that impacts Black, Brown and indigenous communities.

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## The Power of Love



**Deacon JB Bond**  
UAPO Senior Advisor

Love is certainly the main ingredient in being a leader or activist for the Black community. Those who possess this strong attribute have an unyielding love for the Black community that causes them to put life and limb on the line daily. They keep the Black community’s concerns front and center. The number of Black people doing this is countless, but I’ll highlight a few in this article just to recognize their contributions.

**Journalist Roland S. Martin** can be seen daily on Black Star Network. This network features the Roland Martin Unfiltered News Show which gives us news from the Black communities point of view. Roland Martin reports events in the Black Community that are not covered on many of the main stream news outlets. On his news show, you can find out about those young Black women and men who have been missing, but there is no Amber Alert for them. He makes sure these names and description are highlighted daily.

He features a panel of Black professionals including Medical Doctors, HBCU Professors, Lawyers and News Journalists all giving their professional opinion on the daily subjects at hand. Mr. Martin insists that Black news must be main stream. He chose not to be a journalist on mainstream networks where our voice would not be heard. The money he would earn on mainstream networks would indeed be lucrative. Instead, he saw the bigger picture and worked hard to create a space for the Black community to have a daily news show which is Black-owned and operated. This way our concerns will be put front and center.

Minister Wiliam J. Barber’s love for the Black community has been on display throughout the South in North Carolina, Georgia, Texas, Mississippi, and Florida. An example of his willingness to unite Blacks, poor whites, and low income citizens of these states to come together and have a meeting in the Oval office with President Joe Biden. They expressed to him, “This is about survival, justice and promoting the general welfare of all people.”

Another brave soul and honorable person who has nothing but love for the Black community is our own St. Louis **Circuit Attorney Kimberly Gardner**, affectionately known as Kim Gardner by St. Louisans. Not only does Attorney Kim Gardner have love for the Black community, but her bravery is most admirable. I call it the spirit of Harriett Tubman the way she has withstood death threats from unknown trolls and vilification and persecution by high powered Attorneys for her handling of the Eric Greitens case (former Governor of Missouri). Her integrity and love for the Black community, the Circuit Attorney’s office and the City of St. Louis is evident in the work that she is doing. Ms. Gardner promised to do the following: treat all citizens equally before the law, save taxpayers’ money, and reform a broken justice system.

**Joe Madison** (AKA the Black Eagle) of Sirius XM Radio Station 126 is a talk show host on Urban View. Mr. Madison is a longtime activist of the Black community and a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis. In times past, Mr. Madison has protested many issues on behalf of the Black community. At this point in Joe Madison’s career, no one would take issue if he was not seen on the front line of

any protest. No one would ask the question, “Where is the Black Eagle?” Those of us who know Mr. Madison understand that he has indeed done his part for the Black community. The Black Eagle’s love for his children, grandchildren, and the Black community is so important to him that he is currently on a hunger strike from solid food until Congress can get its act together and pass the John Lewis Voting Rights Act. His love for the Black community has always been in his actions, and his question is always, “Now what are you going to do about it?”

**Latosha Brown**, a real renaissance lady, hails from Atlanta, GA and is Co-Founder of Black Voters Matter. She’s also, an award-winning Organizer, Political strategist, and jazz singer just to name a few things that this lover of Black people and its community is doing. It was because of her love for the voiceless Black rural voters in the state of Georgia that she along with others organized them and turned the state of Georgia from Red to Blue. Yes, for 25 years she has served as an advisor for public foundations and private donors during her career. She could have easily found monetary gain in the private sector but she chose to help those who didn’t know how to help themselves. Now that’s what having love and integrity for the Black community looks like.

As I have stated in the past, there has always been a few worthy, honorable, good people who put it all on the line, not for monetary gain nor for fame and glory, but because of the love they have for the Black community from which they come; so that the masses (and often-times ungrateful masses) will have a better way of life, this is how love works.

Since love is the strongest force on the earth, we must do all we can do to bring equality to the Black community and rid this country of racism by any means necessary. With love, all things are possible. Just to be clear, there is nothing passive, weak, or mediocre about love. It’s the most powerful force on the planet, and this has been proven by those accomplishments of the people mentioned in this article. Love bears, believes, hopes, endures all things. (1 Cor. 13:7 KJV)

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# The Task Ahead

## Helping Zaki Implement His Gift and Prayer To The Creator

By the will of the Creator on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 I will have reached the age of 75 years. Of those many blessed years, fifty-seven have been dedicated to the liberation and upliftment of my people which began as I turned eighteen. From that point on to now, this journey of struggle for my people has been both challenging and rewarding. Accordingly, as a spiritual person on my birthday, it will be my humble intent to go atop what I consider as my mountaintop, Cahokia Mounds which is located 30 Ramey Street, Collinsville, Illinois to offer both a gift and prayer to the Creator.



Zaki Baruti  
President/General UAPO

My gift would be at least 144,000 Plus conscious Black and fair-minded people voting and electing progressive Black candidates seeking to become Governors and US Senators in this year's primary elections who endorse our core values. These values include (1) Social Justice and Equality, (2) Maintaining Our Voting Rights, (3) Proportionate Political Representation, (4) the Black is Back Coalition 19 Points of Self Determination ([www.uapo.org](http://www.uapo.org)). At this time in Missouri, the "Show Me State," Ms. Carla "Coffee" Wright a candidate for US Senator has endorsed the above concepts. Also, Mr. Anthony Bland, a candidate for Governor of Arkansas and Mr. Anthony Williams, a candidate for US Senator/Illinois have joined Ms. Wright and endorsed these concepts. It is our intent to gather further endorsements from other National and Statewide candidates listed on the following page.

As an extension of my gift to the Creator, it will be my intent to offer a prayer along with whoever may join me that day; be it faith leaders, community activists, supporters and friends that the Almighty Creator will intervene in the affairs of our people here in this country, the diaspora, mother Africa and deliver a glorious victory by uplifting us to great heights of freedom, equality and power that we so well deserve.

How can you help? You can start by completing the campaign support form for the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) US Senate candidate Ms. Carla "Coffee" Wright on page 16 and voting in all upcoming elections.

## Historic Icons Quotes On Political Power and Voting

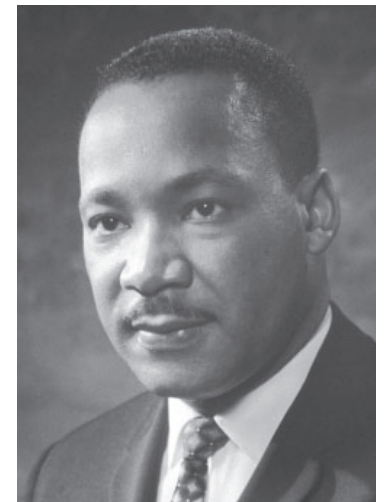
### Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (January 15, 1929-April 4, 1968) *Civil and Human Right Activist*

\*It may be true that laws cannot make a man love me, but it can keep him from lynching me and I think that's pretty important.

\*Morality cannot be legislated, but behavior can be regulated. Judicial decrees may not change the heart, but they can restrain the heartless.

\*I have come to see more and more that one of the most decisive steps that the Negro can take is that little walk to the voting booth. That is an important step. We've got to gain the ballot and through that gain Political Power.

\*Even when the polls are open to all, Negroes have shown themselves too slow to exercise their voting privileges. There must be a concerted effort on the part of Negro leaders to arouse their people from their apathetic indifference. In the past, apathy was a moral failure. Today, it is a form of moral and political suicide.



### Shirley Chisholm (November 30, 1924-January 1, 2005) *1st Black Woman elected to Congress and 1st Black Woman to seek the nomination for president of the United States from one of the two major political parties*

\*From the beginning, I felt that there were only two ways to create change for Black people in this country. – either political or by armed revolution. Malcolm defined it succinctly – the ballot or bullet. Since I believe that human life is uniquely valuable and important, for me the choice had to be the creative use of the ballot. I still believe I was right. I hope America never succeeds in changing my mind.

\*The one thing you've got going is your one Vote.

\*I ran for the Presidency despite hopeless odds to demonstrate the sheer will and refusal to accept status quo.

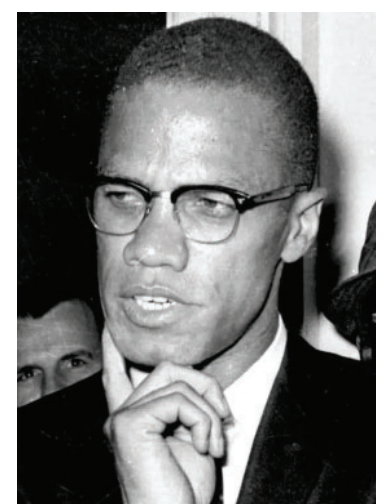


### Malcolm X (May 19, 1925-February 21, 1965) *Civil and Human Rights Activist*

\*The cornerstone of this country's operation are economic and political strength and power. The Black man doesn't have economic strength and it will take time for him to build it. But right now, the American Black man has the political strength and power to change his destiny overnight.

\*This is why I say it's the ballot or the bullet. It's liberty or it's death. It's freedom for everybody or freedom for nobody.

\*The Political Philosophy of Black Nationalism only means that the Black man should control the politics and politicians in his own community. The time when white people can come into our community and get us to vote for them, so that they can be our political leaders and tell us what to do and what not to do IS LONG GONE!





# National and State Political Empowerment

On April 4, 2021, the Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO) proudly announced our Spiritual/Political Initiative for the 2022 National and Statewide Elections that will be held this year 2022. Today, there are fifty State governors in this country, sadly of that number not one is Black. However, according to our population percentage in this country (14%) and if we had “Proportionate Political Representation,” then the number of Black governors would be at six or seven. In the US Senate, there are one hundred members and only three are Black males. Again, according to the percentage of Black people in this country (14%) and if we had “Proportionate Political Representation” then the number of Black US Senators would be at least 14.

To address this lack of proper political representation, the UAPO Spiritual/Political Initiative issued a nationwide call for at least fourteen Black people to become candidates in the various elections for Governors across this country in 2022 and likewise at least fourteen Black candidates in the US Senate elections. There will be thirty-six states holding elections for Governor and thirty-four states holding elections for US Senators.

Accordingly, as of today, we proudly acknowledge the fact that there are Black candidates in seventeen different states for US Senator and in twelve different states there are Black candidates for Governor.

Listed below are some of the announced candidates and their political party affiliation, along with their primary election dates and the percentage of Blacks in each respective state. We recognize that these candidates have varying political ideologies and if you live in one of those respective states, we encourage you to carefully study their background and platform.

We realize that many of these candidates face the daunting obstacles of big money, no Black majorities in the respective states and often times voter apathy and indifference. However, for those candidates who are progressive, we wish them well and victory!!!

Finally, to our conscious Black brothers and sisters across the country, the UAPO challenge you to engage in the political arena by becoming candidates for these powerful national and statewide offices, whereby the ideas for the transformation of this society are fully articulated and embraced by the masses of our people.

## Black Candidates for U.S. Senate 2022

1. ALABAMA	27.18%	BRANDAN DEAN (DEM)	MAY 24, 2022
		JARMAL JABBAR SANDERS (IND)	JUNE 7, 2022
2. CALIFORNIA	6.98%	AKINYEMI AGBEDE (DEM)	JUNE 7, 2022
3. FLORIDA	16.65%	VAL DEMINGS (DEM)	AUGUST 23, 2022
4. GEORGIA	31.73%	RAPHAEL WARNOCK (DEM)	MAY 24, 2022
5. INDIANA	10.54%	HANEEFAH KHAALIQ (DEM)	MAY 3, 2022
		VALERIE LIN McCRAY (DEM)	
6. ILLINOIS	15.56 %	ANTHONY WILLIAMS (IND)	JUNE 28, 2022
7. KENTUCKY	9.33%	CHARLES BOOKER (DEM)	MAY 17, 2022
8. LOUISIANA	33.63%	GARY CHAMBERS	APRIL 30, 2022
9. MARYLAND	31.60%	MICHELLE SMITH (DEM)	JUNE 28, 2022
10. MISSOURI	12.64%	CARLA “COFFEE” WRIGHT (DEM)	AUGUST 2, 2022
11. NEW YORK	17.51%	MOSES MUGULUSI (DEM)	JUNE 24, 2022
		JOEL ANABILAH AZUMAH (DEM)	
12. NORTH CAROLINA	22.06%	CHERI BEASLEY (DEM)	MAY 17, 2022
		JAMES CARR (DEM)	
		TOBIAS LAGMONE (DEM)	
		KEITH DAVENPORT (REP)	
13. OHIO	14.13%	DEMAR SHEFFREY (DEM)	MAY 3, 2022
14. PENNSYLVANIA	12.67%	LARRY JOHNSON (DEM)	MAY 17, 2022
		MALCOLM KENYATTA (DEM)	
		SHARIF STREET (DEM)	
		LEW TAPERA (DEM)	
		KATHY BARNETT ( REP)	
15. SOUTH CAROLINA	26.72%	KRYSTLE MATTHEWS (DEM)	JUNE 14, 2022
16. UTAH	1.68%	NICHOLUS MITCHELL (DEM)	JUNE 28, 2022
17. WISCONSIN	7.43%	MANDELLA BARNES (DEM)	AUGUST 9, 2022
		CHANTIA LEWIS (DEM)	

## Black Candidates for State Governor 2022

1. ARKANSAS	16.12%	ANTHONY BLAND (DEM)	MAY 24, 2002
		CHRIS JONES (DEM)	
2. CALIFORNIA	6.98%	MAJOR WILLIAMS (REP)	JUNE 7 , 2022
3. FLORIDA	17.28%	KYLE GIBSON (NO PARTY)	AUGUST 23, 2022
		RICKY DALE HARRINGTON (LIBETARIAN)	
4. GEORGIA	31.73%	STACEY ABRAMS (DEM)	MAY 24, 2022
5. ILLINOIS	15.56%	MAX SOLOMON (REP)	JUNE 28, 2022
6. IOWA	4.73%	DEIDRA DEJEAR (DEM)	JUNE 7, 2022
7. MARYLAND	31.66%	RUSHERN BAKER III (DEM)	JUNE 28, 2022
8. MICHIGAN	15.21%	ARTICIA BOMER (REP)	AUGUST 2, 2022
		AUSTIN CHENGE (REP)	
9. NORTH CAROLINA	22.06%	MIA McLEOD (DEM)	MAY 17, 2022
10. OKLAHOMA	9.02%	CONSTANCE JOHNSON (DEM)	JUNE 28, 2022
11. TENNESSEE	17.27%	JB SMILEY, JR. (DEM)	AUGUST 4, 2022
		CARNITA ATWATER (DEM)	
12. TEXAS	12.54%	MICHAEL COOPER (DEM)	March 1, 2022
		ALLEN WEST (REP)	



# Universal African Peoples Organization (UAPO)

## Year In Review--2021

1. Successfully Held Our Annual Program \*April 4th- Commemorated the Assassination date of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the founding date of our organization, April 4, 1989. Also, introduced our Spiritual/ Political Initiative for the National and Statewide Elections to be held this year, 2022. as shown on page 6 . Fifty people were in attendance. Legacy Cafe/St. Louis, MO.
2. May 20th- Celebrated the Life and Legacy of Malcolm X with a Red-Black and Green Balloon Release in memory of the victims of the Black Wall Street Massacre in Tulsa, Oklahoma. 100 people in attendance. Irv Zeid Citizen Park, Olivette, MO.
3. August 24th-Commemorated the great work of the Honorable Marcus Garvey. Great speakers and cultural entertainment. 80 people in attendance. Irv Zeid Citizen Park, Olivette, MO.
4. Media Work-We were able to publish four editions of our informative quarterly newspaper, the African NewsWorld. Coordinated the publication and distribution of St. Louis Community Justice Coalition Special Report in support of St. Louis Circuit Attorney, Kim Gardner who is under attack by the right wing forces of the police union and powers to be. Twenty five thousand copies were printed and distributed. Also, published Normandy, Missouri Grassroots Political Special for Black political leaders who are attempting to remove their racist mayor. We proudly aired throughout the year, weekly internet television shows of "Conversation with Zaki Baruti" Please go to YouTube and google UAPO NewsWorld to subscribe and view past shows.
5. Relief Efforts- Held a successful coat drive for the homeless led by UAPO member Anthony Cage and distributed over 100 coats to our people in need. Also, generated skull caps, socks, underwear and host of other items that we yearly provide to the students of Walbridge Elementary School. This effort in November was led by our Outreach Coordinator, Gwen Cogshell. Also we supported a Community Covid 19 testing team led by US Senate candidate Carla "Coffee" Wright.
6. Social Justice-The UAPO continues to be a member organization of two coalitions fighting for justice and equality. One being the Black is Back Coalition and the second one, the St. Louis Community Justice Coalition. We were very involved in supporting parent's efforts to prevent the closure of Dunbar Elementary School. We also exposed the beastly behavior of Woodson Terrance, MO Police Officers who allowed their canine dog to viciously attack a Black man, who was in their custody. We are calling for the firing of the three white officers involved. This incident occurred in September. In December, through the work of Amari Sneferu, Rostand Darbouze, Safiyah Chauvin and Queen Ziah, the UAPO held a very successful Town Hall forum. The theme was "Repealing Missouri Citizen Arrest Law in Memory of Ahmaud Arbery." Our panelists included Missouri Black State Senators Karla May and Steve Roberts Jr. and Missouri State Representative Wiley Price and the Ethics Project founder, Christie Griffin. The moderator was US Senate candidate, Carla "Coffee" Wright. The event was held on December 20th at Legacy Cafe. It was well attended with over sixty people in attendance.

Finally, the Universal African Peoples Organization UAPO) Central Committee, we would like to express our sincere thanks to our membership and supporters for your continuous support. God bless each of you!!!

## Sudan Prime Minister Resigns as Revolutionaries Push to End Military Rule



Sudan's Prime Minister Abdalla Hamdok resigned on Jan. 2 amid widespread protests demanding an end to military rule that have faced deadly repression. Hamdok, a civilian, announced his resignation in a televised address. Hamdok's agreement with the Sudanese military after a coup in October was massively unpopular and protesters took to the streets against what they said was a betrayal of the revolutionary process that began in September 2018.

Hamdok first became Prime Minister in August of 2019 as part of a power sharing agreement with the military that was supposed to eventually result in a transition to an elected government. But Hamdok was deposed in a military coup in October 2021 when the armed forces led by Lt. Gen. Abdel Fattah AL Burhan forcefully seized power and declared a state of emergency. Hamdok, however, shortly returned to office by signing a political deal with the military the following

month. Hamdok justified this move as an attempt to avoid casualties, but the military repression of demonstrations continued.

Tens of thousands took to the streets demanding the establishment of full civilian rule and denounced Hamdok's move to seek an accommodation with the military. This coup dissolved a 2-year old joint civilian-military Sovereign Council, which was created after the 2018 revolution deposed long-standing ruler Omar Al-Bashir. Hamdok was put in power to oversee Sudan's government until the next elections, but in practice had limited authority.

Just hours before Hamdok's resignation, police violently dispersed protesters, killing at least three people according to the Central Committee of Sudanese Doctors. Hadmok's resignation represents the failure of his earlier acceptance of an alliance with the military. Supporters of the revolution - including unions, neighborhood resistance committees, and

political parties like the Sudanese Communist Party - rejected this "power sharing" from its outset. Despite continued violence and military repression, protesters have been leading actions in the hundreds of thousands to press their demand for a completely civilian government. Even though Hamdok's resignation itself was not a key demand, this development is an indication of the determination and strength of the movement fighting for the complete removal of the reactionary military's grip over the government as well as the depths to which military leaders will sink in their attempt to undo the revolution.

The people in Sudan have been able to achieve massive gains by gathering in the streets in enormous numbers to demand change with a dedicated and uncompromising people's movement. In the face of the current highly volatile situation, the revolutionaries are committed to continue on this path.-



# Scenes From UAPO Activities



St Louis UAPO Members and Supporters Endorse Coffee Wright/US Senator



Kansas City UAPO Members and Supporters Endorse Coffee Wright/US Senator



UAPO Member Carol Jackson Provides Opening Prayer at Forum/Repeal Citizen Arrest Law



US Senate Candidate Coffee Wright Moderating Forum/Repeal Citizen Arrest Law



UAPO Members and Forum Panelists: MO State Senators Steve Roberts, Karla May, Moderator Coffee Wright, Ethics Project Founder Christie Griffin and MO State Rep Wiley Price IV



UAPO Supports "Shot Or Not" Covid 19 Saliva "Mouth" Swab Testing Team Founded By Coffee Wright



UAPO Collecting Skull Caps, Socks, Underwear, etc. for Walbridge Elementary School Students led by UAPO Member Gwen Cogshell



Thanks To McGee Alexander Lodge #3 for Financially Supporting UAPO Walbridge Elementary School Relief Effort



# and Social Justice Actions



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UAPO Brothers Proudly Display UAPO Banner



UAPO Sisters Proudly Display UAPO Banner



Coat Drive for Homeless led by UAPO Member Anthony Cage



UAPO Coat Drive for the Homeless



UAPO Members Prepare to Distribute Coats To Homeless Downtown St. Louis



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# From Behind The Prison Walls

**Dear Mr. Zaki Baruti  
President/General**

Dear beloved President/General, I hope and pray to the forces of love and wisdom that this drum beat will find you resilient and resolute.

I know you’re a busy man with the people’s agenda always in front of you. I humbly appreciate your work as you courageously stand and fight for African Black justice. Not many leaders today stand with the people. They want to stand in front of the people as intellectual dictators. The general that stands with his people is admired, adored and loved. This is the historic example and footprints you step in--Malcolm X, Huey P. Newton and Hannibal Barca of Cartridge.

Today many Black leaders fear death, because they hold onto the material trappings of their positions. Martin Luther King Jr. stated “If one does not have something to die for, he/she should not be living”...To die in the service of humanity is the greatest honor and legacy a leader can leave and share, because it is a legacy of value and love. When our people saw Malcolm, they saw a MAN that was fearless.

Today the psychosis of the colonial conditioning of the Black mind is chained to self-hate. This self-hate manifests its face in so many forms--gang violence , Black on Black homicide, glorification of fratricide, rape, neo-colonialism, betrayal of our community, drug abuse, etc. I find that to break the chains of psychological slavery, a person must be 100% dissatisfied with their condition to make a 100% change.

Brother and leader continue to beat the drums of change as you exemplify the man our Black men should want to become.

From Behind Enemy Lines  
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**Zaki Baruti’s Response**  
To the Creator belongs the glory and praise. Thank you for your kind words and compliments. By the grace of the Creator, I will continue to advocate for the freedom and upliftment of our people. Stay strong, healthy and continue to share your knowledge.

Liberation In Our Lifetime!!!

# Tarqui Mattox Behind The Prison Walls

Due to my current incarceration most people think that my circumstances are too restricting to allow me to contribute anything of real value to the outside world. I humbly say to those people - God is real in my life. After touching my life, God gave me the power to inspire people through my art. My art portraits are created to celebrate the positive images of those who shape our communities.

In 2018 my sons, Tariq and Rakim, and I established an art print business “Art By Mattox” . We hustled hard to get our small business off to a good start. With lots of love and patience I reached beyond prison walls and used my corporate sales experience to guide my sons in the business world. We slowly built up a strong following in Atlanta, GA. I’ve been blessed with the opportunity to do artwork for celebrities such as: R&B great Anthony Hamilton and the beautiful songbird Fantasia to name a few. By God’s grace and mercy Art By Mattox has sold tens-of- thousands of art prints while serving our community and giving back to charities.

In an effort to spread community love nationwide we partnered up with great business people in the city of St. Louis, MO. Thanks to Mr. Larry Freeman Jr., owner of St. Louis Oil & Co., and thanks also to the landmark seafood restaurant Bait, together we are reinforcing positive art images in St. Louis citywide. Working together our aims are: positive artwork, charity, and serving the community. We welcome all organizations who want to join us in this mission.

Expressing my talent beyond art, I’ve written and published a few books. The book , “Prisonaire: Building Success From A Prison Cell” highlights the core principles that I used to build a successful art platform while in prison. The book is a great study guide and teaching tool for everyone.

Art is my life, and I thank God everyday for blessing me with my gift.

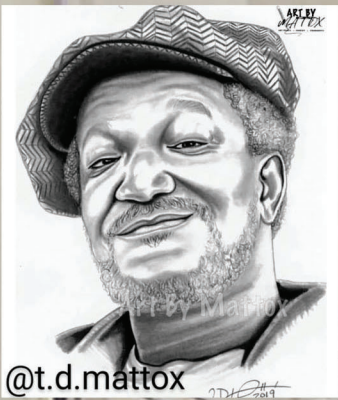
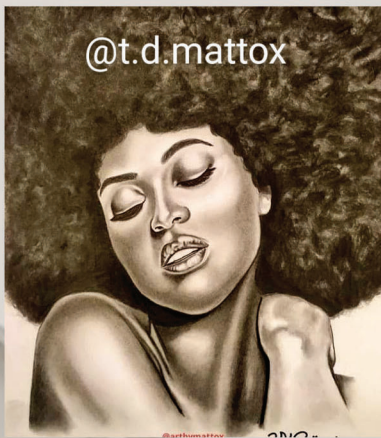


# Behind The Prison Walls Gallery

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# Universal African Peoples Organization

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**One Destiny** - the fulfillment of God's will for us as a people to have Freedom, Justice and. Equality, no matter where we reside and where we as a collective group will fulfill our capacity to grow, develop and expand to our greatest height of self development.

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### UAPO PLATFORM

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